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Iris—Goddess of the Rainbow.

TALL BEARDED IRIS

(June Flowering)

INCREASE GARDEN BEAUTY—
REDUCE LABOR COSTS

The culture of the Bearded Irises offers no difficulties. But because they will grow under arid conditions, will survive in shade, and bravely assume the part, too often thrust upon them, of rescuing from desolation some garden region where little else will consent to grow, these willing plants are, more often than not, treated with scant consideration and denied the opportunity to develop the full measure of their beauty and mobility. Even so they pluckily grow and blossom; but give them their desire—abundant sunshine, good soil rich in lime and devoid of fresh manure, intelligent watering during dry seasons, particularly when the buds are forming—and the reward in multiplicity of flowers, in their improved color and size and texture, in the sturdy increase of the clumps, will astonish many a one who is under the impression that he is familiar with the manifold charms of color, the perfection of form of these most enchanting flowers.

We have given much careful study to the great number of varieties usually listed. We have noted the many similarities existing, and have finally selected what we would consider a Master List, consisting of the most desirable varieties, so that you may plant all of the following in your garden without danger of regret.

All appear on the list of 100 best, published by the American Iris Society. Dykes Medal Winners received the Highest Award of the Society which is made each year.

ARGUS PHEASANT. *Golden Brown.* A very remarkable flower of bright golden brown with a copper sheen. Very outstanding and a Dykes Medal Winner. Height, 38 inches. \$2.00 each; \$5.00 for 3; \$15.00 for 12.

CHERIE. *Flamingo Pink.* A large full bodied flamingo pink self with a deep tangerine beard, for a stunning effect. Dykes Medal Winner and rightfully so, as it is a fine flower. Height, 36 inches. \$2.25 each; \$5.50 for 3; \$20.00 for 12.

CHIVALRY. *Medium Blue* Very beautiful. The large blooms are nicely ruffled and of great substance. The position of the flowers on the stem is excellent. Prize winner. Height, 36 inches. \$1.00 each; \$2.50 for 3; \$8.00 for 12.

ELMOHR. *Bishop's Purple.* The huge blooms measure up to seven inches and are ruffled for an exquisite effect. One of the finest in cultivation and a Dykes Medal Winner. Color can be described as being between Mulberry purple and Bishop's purple. Strong grower, fine foliage and good for exhibition. Height, 37 inches. \$1.25 each; \$3.00 for 3; \$10.00 for 12.

GREAT LAKES. *Light Blue.* Winner of Dykes Medal a few years ago, still tops in the garden and for exhibition. Clear light blue with the beard almost white. The standards are well domed and the falls are flaring for a delightful effect. Pleasing fragrance. Height, 42 inches. \$.75 each; \$2.00 for 3; \$7.00 for 12.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY. *Deep Flamingo Pink.* Large flowers delightfully ruffled and crinkled. This variety is the most colorful of all of the pink flamingos. Prize winner. Height, 36 inches. \$3.50 each; \$10.00 for 3; \$25.00 for 12.

HELEN MC GREGOR. *Pale blue.* Clear pale blue and uniform in color throughout the bloom. Both standards and falls are broad and ruffled. Dykes Medal Winner. Height, 36 inches. \$1.50 each; \$4.00 for 3; \$15.00 for 12.

INCA CHIEF. *Golden Bronze.* New variety of outstanding merit. Placed 17 on the popularity list in 1957. The blending of the colors is delightful. Prize winner. Height, 36 inches. \$4.00 each; \$11.00 for 3; \$42.50 for 12.

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NEW SNOW. *Pure White.* The flowers are ruffled and flaring. The bright yellow beard brings emphasis to the purity of the bloom which is snow white with no other markings. Very beautiful and a prize winner. Height, 38 inches. \$1.25 each; \$3.00 for 3; \$10.00 for 12.

OLA KALA. *Deep Yellow.* The brilliant deep yellow blooms are of extra fine substance and are weather proof. Nicely ruffled standards and the falls are semi-flaring. Well branched stalks. Dykes Medal Winner. Height, 38 inches. \$1.00 each; \$2.50 for 3; \$8.00 for 12.

PALOMINO. *Amber, Pink and White.* New variety that was number 4 on the 1957 popularity list. The combining of the colors in the lovely bloom is most attractive. Height, 39 inches. \$4.00 each; \$11.00 for 3; \$42.50 for 12.

PIERRE MENARD. *Marine Blue.* New variety that was placed 10 on the popularity list for 1957. Very outstanding and a color that is immediately admired in the garden. Strong grower. Height, 38 inches. \$2.50 each; \$6.50 for 3; \$20.00 for 12.

PRAIRIE SUNSET. *Peach, Gold and Apricot.* A Dykes Medal Winner. Iridescent colorings of pink, apricot and peach with rose and gold shining through. It is a very beautiful Iris. It is simply gorgeous in the garden as well as for cutting. Height, 38 inches. \$1.00 each; \$2.50 for 3; \$8.00 for 12.

SABLE. *Dark Blue-Purple.* A dark beauty. Everyone wants this variety on sight. Dark blue-purple with a lustrous silky sheen, the color is enhanced by the dark violet beard. Height, 36 inches. \$1.00 each; \$2.50 for 3; \$8.00 for 12.

SNOW FLURRY. *White.* This is a beautiful variety that is ruffled and frilled. In the bud stage there is a blue tinge, then when the flower opens it is a delightful icy snow white. Very fine. Height, 43 inches. \$1.25 each; \$3.00 for 3; \$10.00 for 12.

SOLID MAHOGANY. *Mahogany Red.* Darkest of the red varieties. The color effect is brownish mahogany enhanced by the deep bronze gold beard. Height, 38 inches. \$1.25 each; \$3.00 for 3; \$10.00 for 12.

SPUN GOLD. *Golden Yellow.* A Dykes Medal Winner. It is very close to a pure gold color; petals are of finest texture. Beautiful and fragrant. Height, 38 inches. \$1.00 each; \$2.50 for 3; \$8.00 for 12.

TOP FLIGHT. *Golden Apricot.* New variety that placed 30 in 1957 popularity contest. Very outstanding, strong grower with blooms very well placed. A prize-winner. \$4.00 each; \$11.00 for 3; \$42.50 for 12.

TRULY YOURS. *Gold and White.* New variety that was first choice in popularity pool in 1957—placing #1 on the list. The standards and falls are golden yellow with a large mark of pure white at the center—delightful effect. Prize winner. Height, 39 inches. \$5.00 each; \$14.00 for 3; \$52.50 for 12.

WABASH. *White and Purple.* Dykes Medal Winner. Pure white standards that are slightly ruffled; the falls are velvety and violet purple bordered white for a thrilling effect. Well branched and a profuse bloomer. Height, 38 inches. \$1.00 each; \$2.50 for 3; \$8.00 for 12.

For Iris Kaempferi and Dutch Iris—see our 1959 Fall Edition of "Beauty from Bulbs"

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ARGUS PHEASANT—*Brown Gold*
CHERIE—*Flamingo Pink*
ELMOHR—*Bishop's Purple*
HELEN MCGREGOR—*Pale Blue*
GREAT LAKES—*Light Blue*

MISSOURI—*Porcelain Blue*
OLA KALA—*Orange Yellow*
FRAIRIE SUNSET—*Peach, Gold & Apricot*
SPUN GOLD—*Golden Yellow*
WABASH—*White and Purple*

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Autumn Flowering Bulbs

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(They flower a few weeks after planting)

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The great pleasure of having quantities of these lovely flowers in our gardens, in the lawn, under the trees, along the bank or driveway or in forgotten corners, in great variety, flowering there through September into October and some varieties even flowering until severe frost puts an end to all this gaiety, is easily within our grasp.

Colchicums (Meadow Saffron)

They produce very large flowers (4 to 6 times the size of the regular Crocus) and the blooms are produced in succession over a long period.

Our bulbs grown at our Holland farms are the very largest that are produced for sale. They give the maximum in results—many times up to 20 flowers from a single bulb.

AUTUMNALE ALBUM. Beautiful pure white. \$3.50 for 10; \$8.50 for 25; \$33.00 per 100.

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WATER LILY. Violet-rose of rare beauty. \$2.25 for 3; \$7.00 for 10.

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The flowers of these gems are the same size as the regular Crocus. Our large size bulbs will produce from 4 to 6 blooms each. The reasonable price of these bulbs allows them to be planted in quantity.

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SPECIOSUS. Bright violet-blue prettily veined; having orange-red anthers and light yellow throat; large handsome and showy, one of the best for naturalizing in the grass and massing in borders and rock work. \$2.50 for 25; \$8.50 per 100.

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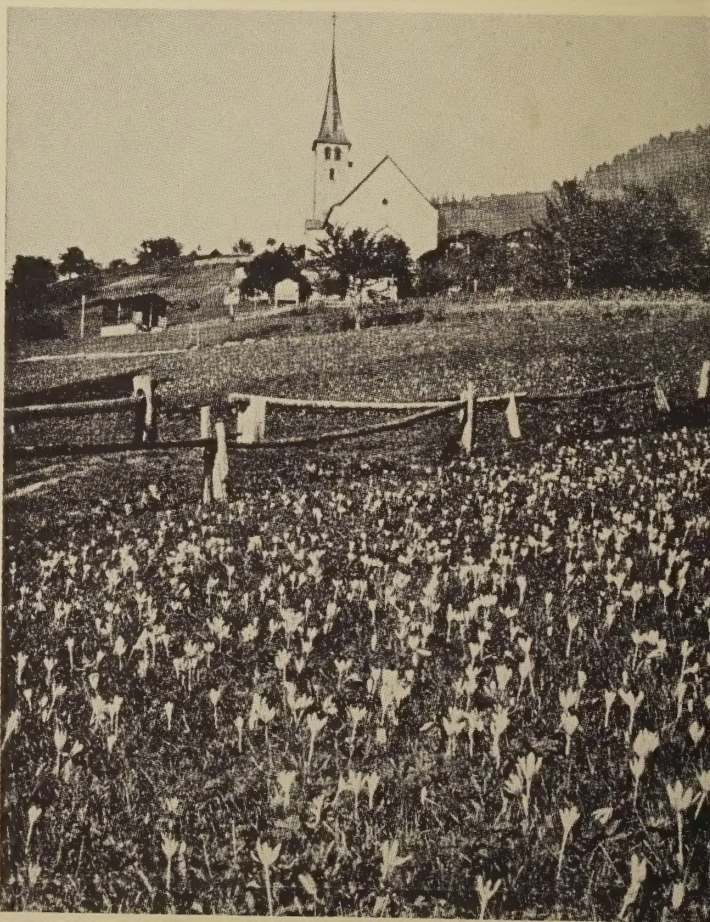
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